

## Crawford Grand Opera House

Thursday, Jan. 1st.

The great permanent American Minstrel Organization that has entertained all Europe.

J. H. HAVERLY'S  
ORIGINAL MASTODON

MINSTRELS

Headed by the World Famous Comedians

BILLY RICE -- BURT SHEPARD

And all the Haverly Favorites.

Prices: \$1.00, 75, 50 and 25 cents. Reserved seats on sale at Mosbacher's.

1895-1896.  
Holiday Excursions,

via the

MISSOURI PACIFIC RY.

To Points Within 200 Miles.

One and one-half fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 24, 25 and 26, 1895, and January 1, 1896. Good to return January 2, 1896.

E. E. BLECKLEY,  
P. & T. A. Mo. Pac. Ry.  
114 N. Main street, Wichita, Kansas.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 12, 1895.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Fourth National Bank, of Wichita, Kansas, will be held at their office, No. 200 East Douglas avenue, Tuesday January 14th, 1896, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. for the election of a Board of Directors to serve the ensuing year, and such other business as may properly come before them.

J. M. MOORE, Cashier.

422-41-stn.

People can't be too careful in procuring meats. Over-ripe, or from unwholesome animals—nothing could be more injurious to the system. You'll not get that sort at Joe's market, 214 North Main; he is critically particular never to have none but the good; ditto in oysters and fish.

35-25

Pooled Their Issues.

Since J. L. Bowditch retired from the flour business the Oxford Mills have joined the Hunter Milling company of Wellington in a common agency which is in charge of D. O. Williams, at 211 South Main street. The products of these two superior mills—high grade flour, especially—is kept in full supply at the Wichita depot, and orders are promptly filled.

4-31-81-1-8

Say, Look Here!

Until the night of Dec. 31, you can get a beautiful Phenological Chart—size 14x17 inches, showing the development of mental organs, temperament, etc., for only half price. Something every intelligent young man or woman should possess. Life is short and time is fleeting, so do not miss this opportunity, but call at once as the time is limited. No. 416 East First street, near Y. M. C. A. building. Fifteen years experience. William Forest, Practical Phenologist. Office hours 8 a. m. to 10 p. m.

The sale of picture frames and other art goods, at cost and less, goes bounding on at Martin's art store. Don't wait until they are all gone—into other purchasers' hands.

4-37-26

Keep it continually in mind that Tapp Bros. &amp; Henshaw have a splendid line of sample shoes that they retail at wholesale prices. Red Front Racket, Main and Second.

4-37-26

Dal Masque!

Headquarters muskies and suits, at The Bazaar, Douglas and Emporia.

4-37-11

We have some \$2.50 trimmed hats that we are selling, now, for \$1. The Bazaar, corner Douglas and Emporia.

4-37-11

H. M. Grafton keeps in stock a full line of groceries, vegetables, feed, etc. Also choice, fresh meats, oysters, poultry, etc., at low prices. Leave your order and save time going down town. Phone 135. Prompt delivery. 4-37-11

HOLIDAY RATES

SANTA FE ROUTE.

To all points within 200 miles of Wichita at one and one-third fare the round trip.

Tickets on sale Dec. 24, 25 and 26, 1895, and Jan. 1, 1896, limited for return to and including Jan. 2, 1896.

TAGG & GARVEY,  
City Ticket Agents.

As old member of the London stock exchange says: "The only time a man of experience takes his wife into his confidence is to tell her he is not making any money."

—Household Words.

"Tom has proposed, and asks me to give him his answer in a letter." "Shall you do it?" "No, I will be more liberal and give him his answer in two letters." —Harper's Bazar.

"I mean life without a cent in my pocket," said the purse-proud man to an acquaintance. "I didn't even have a pocket," replied the latter, meekly.

The same of politeness was reached by a mining superintendent who posted a placard reading: "Please do not tumble down the shaft." —Tit-Bits.

Honny—"Tapa, Jack Mason said his father gave him 50 cents, and—" Papa—"Well, Bobby—"I'd like to see the same of you." —Harper's Bazar.

## RAILROAD TIME TABLES

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## LETTERS TO BILL NYE

HE ELUCIDATES THE MONROE DOCTRINE FOR A CORRESPONDENT.

And Gives Some Information About His Youthful Ambition to Be a Tragedian and How He Was Outstripped—A Dark Examination Paper.

[Copyright, 1895, by Edgar W. Nye.]

A gentleman friend writes to ask about the present conditions of the Monroe doctrine in this country. The Monroe doctrine affords much comfort to those who are kept indoors during the winter. On long winter evenings, together with doughnuts and hard cider, it serves to pass the time most delightfully for elderly men who are exempt from taxation and military duty.

In forming a republic 200 years ago or more I cannot believe that this country tacitly agreed to foster every 10 cent riot in South America or to put ice on

every hot tamale there or elsewhere which, under the name of a revolution for the purpose of establishing a republic, might rob and pillage and destroy, hoping to flee for shelter to the parent republic.

When James Monroe said in 1823 that "we should consider any attempt on the part of the allied powers to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety, and that we could not view any interference for the purpose of oppressing governments on this side of the water whose independence we had acknowledged or controlling in any manner their destiny by any European power in any other light than as a manifestation of an unfriendly disposition toward the United States," he did not realize that

relations and assumed sizes of republics would some day become a business, and that the time might come, too, when the department of state at Washington would be kept so busy recognizing new and prattling republics that other and more important business would have to be abandoned.

In less than two years Mr. J. Q. Adams, then president, and Mr. Monroe's secretary of state when the above doctrine was composed, saw that the spirit of the Monroe doctrine needed more careful elucidation, and so he said at the time of the congress of American powers at Panama in 1823 that "an agreement between all the parties represented at the meeting that each will guard by its own means against the establishment of any future European colony within its borders may be found desirable."

Though I may be the warm friend of a high protective tariff theoretically and a vigorous supporter in practice, I am not bound by any law, local or international, to jerk from jail every culprit who may injudiciously adopt and overdo the above doctrine.

So, while in a conservative way we might swap cherry pectoral and beads for the state of Pennsylvania and then declare our independence, the science of private and personal rebellion and the custom of producing revolutions regularly on Tuesdays and Fridays need not be at all times aided and abetted by the pioneer republic.

Second.—You were misinformed about my ambitions to shine as a tragedian when young. I did do a little amateur acting and once went to a neighboring town quietly on rubbers, in fact—to act out on the stage, but gave it up.

In the great field of tragedy I had a girl friend at school who was my equal and rival in that line for several years but at the end of that time she took to the ballet and so of course outstripped me.

Third.—No; children do not mean to be irreverent in their remarks. They speak freely and without the shackles of superstition upon their tongues. A little girl neighbor the other day went to church for the first time, and her aunt asked her on her return how she enjoyed it.

"Not at all, auntie," said she. "They wuz vewwy vewwy people—offul vewwy. They had breakfast and never give me a bite."

Emeline, Goshen, Ind.—Yes, you may address me as "My Dear Mr. Nye."

You understand, of course, that it can never ripen into anything riper than that. I like your heart to heart letters, but must caution you about cherishing any false hopes of impairing the tissues of my tongue and obdurate heart. There are days, too, Emeline, when I do not feel like writing in the way you seem to prefer. We will be good friends, and I will be glad at all times to hear how you are making it out in your hand to hand contest with the world and the spelling book. Write whenever you cannot resist this feeling, and if I cannot get time to read your letters there is a young man assisting me this winter who will attend to it.

Second.—You err from a grammatical standpoint in your novel, a copy of which you send me. On page 285 you say, "I was one of six others to dine at this delightful place." You should avoid a dinner, Emeline, that makes you "one of six others." Sometimes pudding sauce will do that.

Generally a great many inquiries come to me regarding the advancement of the colored people. I am glad to note that there is a wholesome ambition among them to improve, and that it is bearing fruit too. Here, however, is an examination paper turned in by a teacher who desired a license to spread abroad his knowledge as he possessed. The examination occurred in the Pee Dee country and is absolutely home-made.

Question.—What effect has tobacco on the teeth?

Answer.—It give your teeth a red look.

Q.—What on digestion?

A.—Eaten flour bread with thanks. (2) It causes the digestion to be weak and watery, and it cause us to be sick of the stomach.

Q.—What on the bones?

A.—Meat is on the bones. (2) It effects the bones worse than the flesh.

Q.—What on the flesh?

A.—Skin is on the flesh.

Q.—Which is more injurious, chewing or smoking, and why?

A.—Smoking is more injurious than chewing because it effect your lungs giving you a bad breath.

Q.—What can you say of cigarette smoking?

A.—They will effect your lungs. (2) They stop the growth of the young.

Q.—What effect has intoxicating drink on the digestion?

A.—It cause them not to digest well it cause the appetite to grow but the fat is not sound, and it burn your haslet all to pieces.

Q.—What on the brain?

A.—Fire on the brain. It cause them to be addle and they losing a part of they sense for a while and when they get sober it will come back again.

Q.—What on the muscles?

A.—Flesh on the muscle.

Q.—What on the nerves?

A.—A big heart on the nerves.

Q.—Give a brief account of the settlement of South Carolina.

A.—It was settle by the inlishman and they foud hard keeping the endian back so they might settle.

Q.—Give an account of the contest of 1876 in this state.

A.—The publiken party got defeated and has been defeated ever since.

Q.—What is a sentence?

A.—Clock rund is a sentence.